ABSTRACT

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An information reproducing apparatus comprises a determination device which determines a type of a loaded recording medium, an information obtaining device which obtains necessary information for reproduction from the recording medium according to the determined type of recording medium and a reproduction control device which exerts control to reproduce recorded information from the recording medium based on the obtained information, and the apparatus prompts a user to select the type of the recording medium in the case where the determination device cannot determine the type of the recording medium or the information obtaining device cannot normally obtain the necessary information for reproduction, and accepts selection of the type of the recording medium from the user, and obtains the necessary information for reproduction from the recording medium according to the selected type of the recording medium.